

Docket No.: 04-02 US

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Please replace paragraph on page 1, lines 5-9, which begins with "The present invention relates," with the following amended paragraph:

The present invention relates generally to in vitro testing of medical components, including implantable, ingestible or adherable medical components, such as ~~dissolution testing of dosage forms, stents, and other carriers of materials having immediate and/or controlled release characteristics, and testing of implantable medical devices such as stents, prostheses, sensors, catheters, electrical leads, and the like.~~ More particularly, the present invention relates to apparatus and methods for providing actuated movement of such medical components ~~carriers of materials~~ during testing, the prevention of evaporation loss during movement, and components adapted for such apparatus and methods.

After the last paragraph on page 4, lines 28-32, which begins with "In some embodiments or method in which a container is provided, please add the following new paragraph:

According to any of the foregoing embodiments or methods, the sample carrier may contain a material releasable in a medium. The sample carrier may include an implantable, adherable or ingestible medical component. For example, the sample carrier may include a dosage delivery component such as a dosage form, a stent or other dosage delivery component for purposes of testing, ingestion, transdermal transfer, or implantation. The sample carrier may also be a component that supports (e.g., holds, contains, affixes, etc.) a dosage delivery component. The sample carrier may also be a medical device such as may be implanted or inserted in, or applied to, a living being, or a component that supports (e.g., holds, contains, affixes, etc.) a medical device of this type.